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May 19, 2023

# **BY ECF**

The Honorable Margo K. Brodie United States District Judge Eastern District of New York United States Courthouse 225 Cadman Plaza East Brooklyn, NY 11201

Re: <u>SEC v. GPB Capital Holdings LLC, et al.</u>, No. 21-cv-00583-MKB-VMS

Dear Chief Judge Brodie:

We represent the Court-appointed monitor, Joseph T. Gardemal III (the "Monitor"), in the above-referenced matter. Pursuant to Paragraph 33(b) of the Court's Amended Order appointing the Monitor, dated April 14, 2021 (the "Amended Order"), we respectfully submit the Monitor's Monthly Fee Statement for April 2023, which includes the fees for the Monitor's counsel, Hogan Lovells US LLP, as expenses. Under the Amended Order, no further action from the Court is needed at this time. See Paragraph 33(j) of the Amended Order. This Monthly Fee Statement will be included in the next Quarterly Fee Application submitted to the Court, pursuant to Paragraphs 34 and 35 of the Amended Order.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert B. Buehler

Partner

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# Exhibit 1

### Alvarez & Marsal Disputes and Investigations, LLC



May 17, 2023

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and Highline Management, Inc. Attn: Rob Chmiel, CEO 33 East 33rd Street, Suite 807 New York, NY 10016

GPB Capital Holdings, LLC

Invoice Reference #: 829446-27

Court Appointed Independent Monitor, Joseph T. Gardemal III

Appointment Date: 02/12/2021

Monthly Fee Application from 04/01/2023 through 04/30/2023

Dear Mr. Chmiel:

Please find attached Alvarez & Marsal's invoice for Professional Services rendered to GPB Capital Holdings, LLC and Highline Management, Inc. in relation to the Court Appointed Independent Monitor, Joseph T. Gardemal III. A&M requests payment in the amount of \$617,007.24 for the services rendered. As a reminder, payment is due within 30 days.

I hereby certify that I have read the Application and that the hours worked by the individuals billed are correct and that the total amount invoiced is for work performed.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this invoice. We appreciate the opportunity to be of service to you.

Sincerely,

Joseph Gardemal Managing Director

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A&M Professional Fees	\$ 502,764.00	
80% of Professional Fees Total	\$	402,211.20
Expenses		
A&M Out-of-Pocket Expenses	\$	238.04
Counsel_Hogan Lovells LLP	\$	214,558.00
Expense Total	\$	214,796.04

Total Professional Fees and Expenses Payable		617,007.24
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Professional Fees Subject to 20% Holdback	\$	100,552.80

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Bank: Wells Fargo
ABA: 121000248
Swift: WFBIUS6S

Account Name: Alvarez & Marsal Disputes and Investigations, LLC

Account Number: 2000018590539
Reference Invoice #: 829446-27

Notification Email: treasury@alvarezandmarsal.com

For security purposes, all bank account changes should be verbally verified by contacting A&M using a known telephone number BEFORE funds are sent to a different account.

### **Mail Instructions:**

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